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A man wrapped up in himself makes a very small package.

Swallowing your pride, apologizing, asking forgiveness, excusing yourself, avoiding trouble, helping instead of hindering, talking instead of yelling—is not always the easiest but at times the best thing to do.

Governor Stark, in his inaugural address, recommended a law be passed requiring all cities of 10,000 and over register all eligible voters. We are for it 100 per cent, but offer an amendment that all cities of 5000 and over be required to register, and in this way Skeston can check all illegal voters who slip into our city from other places.

According to labor men throughout the country, certain attorneys, claim agencies and small loan companies are preparing for a bountiful harvest handling old-age insurance claims. But the plans of such gentry to enrich themselves at the expense of needy old people may be balked, for the social security board reveals its machinery is so simplified workers will register no assistance—Excelsior Springs Standard.

## A FEW SUNNY SQUIBBLES

The children are ordered not to play with bad boys. After getting their eyes blacked and their noses bloody, they won't probably, for a day or two anyway.

It is often said in reporting parties that "cards were enjoyed." Probably they were by those who had the high trumps.

This is said to be a "cock-eyed world." If it doesn't behave better, it may be a black-eyed one soon.

They tell us not to go to church without a quarter in our pockets. However, many come out with the same quarter with which they went in.

Not merely are the politicians of Missouri counting their chickens before they are hatched, but in many cases the eggs haven't even been laid.

People used to weep as they sang "The old home ain't what it used to be." Here in Skeston nowadays, they lament because the old car ain't what it once was.

Too many girls, it is said, want to go on the stage. Their chances for getting enough to eat are better if they merely go on the kitchen floor.

The boys, they say, don't get baths enough. They reply that they will take a good thorough one next spring, as soon as the swimming hole warms up.

Women used to faint when they saw a mouse. Now a nervous mouse might faint if he saw some of the highly colored girls.

The germs people breathe into their mouths give them diseases, while the words they breath out from those mouths frequently make other folks sick.

Some folks become poor because they spend so much time dreaming what they are going to do when they get rich.

The people are urged to restrain their desire for sporting life. They at least do so when their money is gone and they can't borrow any more.

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## Personal And Society Items From Charleston

By Anna Latimer  
Charleston, Jan. 13.—The Rev. and Mrs. C. P. Thormorton are in St. Louis this week, where the former is a patient at Barnes hospital for medical examination. Jim Thormorton, who accompanied his parents to St. Louis, returned to this city on Monday.

Eugene French has been ill this week at his home on West Cleveland street, suffering with bronchitis.

Mrs. Joe Howlett and daughter, Miss Lucille, have been ill of flu at their home on South Franklin street.

Mrs. R. C. Poage spent Tuesday afternoon in Cape Girardeau. Mrs. Charles Rowling and Miss Johnnie Heggie spent Tuesday afternoon in Cairo.

Mrs. W. C. Brewer and R. C. Poage spent Monday afternoon in Skeston and were accompanied home by Master Arden Poage, who had been the guest of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Poage, in Skeston, for the past week.

"Smoky" Sutton of Skeston was among the visitors in this city on Monday.

Mrs. Pitt White of Bertrand spent Wednesday in this city. Woodrow Graham of Skeston was a visitor in this city on Wednesday.

The P. E. O. Chapter met Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. W. B. Ragdale with fifteen members in attendance. Mrs. Thomas Ogilvie, the president, presided over the business session. The next meeting will be held January 21 at the home of Mrs. Ella Deal.

The home of Mrs. Charles Trickey was the scene of a very interesting meeting of the W. C. T. U. on Friday afternoon when Mrs. Trickey and Mrs. A. H. Marshall entertained the members of the organization and the guests. The meeting opened with a business session, presided over by the president, Mrs. John Bird. Mrs. Dee Jennings served as chairman of the program for this meeting and led the devotional. Jesse Downs, the guest speaker, gave a splendid address on "Alcohol Relative to Insurance." His address was both interesting and instructive. Another interesting phase of the program were musical readings by Riley Brown, Jr., and Sue Russell, accompanied by Mrs. Moffat Latimer. During meeting pennies were collected from the members to contribute to the expense fund for the national W. C. T. U. meeting to be held this year in Washington. At the conclusion of the program the hostesses served delicious sandwiches, olives, wafers, and hot chocolate. Seventeen members and guests were present.

The Susan Anderson circle of the Baptist church met Tuesday evening at 7:30 p. m., at the home of Mrs. C. H. Randall. The topic for study was "The Anglo-Saxon" and the program was led by Miss Norma Hisey. She was ably assisted in giving the program by Mrs. Clara Graham, Mrs. Minnie Edwards, Misses Minnie King, Mary Lee Simpson, and Hallie Hisey. At the close of the program the hostess served a plate lunch with coffee. Ten members were present.

The W. M. U. (women's missionary union) of the Charleston association of the Baptist church for Mississippi and Scott counties met in all day session at the Baptist church in this city on Tuesday.

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day. Owing to the inclemency of the weather, only a few of the churches were represented. In the absence of the president, Mrs. Jesse Downs, who was ill, Mrs. Hartrell Brock, the secretary, presided, assisted by Mrs. Oda Sizet of Skeston. Following the business session, which was held in the forenoon, the members were invited to the service hall, where lunch was served. In the afternoon a missionary playlet was presented at the church by the following members of the Charleston society: Mesdames Salie Grisham, Tilden Crosno, J. M. Cullison, E. O. Jones, Mildred Throver, Clarence Randall, W. R. Chron, Joe Harvey, Hartrell Brock, and Master Buddie Randall.

Due to the lack of electricity and to faulty furnace the pupils of Eugene Field school and Charleston high school were dismissed for short vacations at the first of this week. Pupils in Eugene Field school were dismissed for Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday. They returned to school Thursday morning as the furnace had been repaired. The vacation for the high school was short lived, however, having been only Tuesday morning. These delays were due to lack of electricity, which operates the electric stokers on the furnaces of the schools.

## SCHOOL BOARD DECIDES AGAINST POOLS PROJECT

The board of education virtually abandoned a proposal that it sponsor a WPA project for swimming and wading pools after hearing at a meeting Thursday night preliminary estimates made by Hal Lynch, an architect of Clayton.

Members felt it unwise to sponsor the pools project because they considered the district had insufficient money to provide its share of the project and because the pools would require permanent maintenance, a function the board believed it "had no business undertaking." Members still considered sponsoring a project for construction of two concrete bleachers on the high school athletic field, however.

Mr. Lynch's figures showed the three projects would cost about \$61,000—\$27,000 for the bleachers, \$23,000 for the swimming pool, \$11,000 for the wading pool, \$1500 for miscellaneous items, and the remainder for engineering and architect's fees. The board's share would be about \$14,000.

If only the bleachers project were undertaken, Mr. Lynch said, the total cost for it would be \$31,000, \$8000 of which the board must provide.

The bleachers, according to preliminary plans, would each be 200 feet long and have twelve rows of seats. Together, they would seat 3500 people.

The project will be submitted to the WPA headquarters in Washington.

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## MISSOURI HISTORY

Courtesy Missouri Historical Society

### Missouri's Pioneer Bar

One of the outstanding chapters in Missouri history is that of her distinguished pioneer bar. Of one of Missouri's famous pioneer lawyers, Henry S. Geyer, it is said that John Marshall was so impressed by his erudition before the United States Supreme Court that the great Chief Justice expressed surprise that such profound learning should come from a lawyer of the Mississippi. Yet Geyer was but one of a galaxy of brilliant Missouri pioneer lawyers which included such names as Judges J. B. C. Lucas and John Rice Jones, Edward Bates, Hamilton R. Gamble, Thomas Hart Benton, Rufus Easton and David Barton.

W. Van Ness Bay in explaining the preeminence of Missouri's pioneer bar in his classic Reminiscences of the Bench and Bar of Missouri, states: "The fact that the territory of Louisiana, out of which the state of Missouri was carved, was once under the dominion of Spain, and subsequently under that of France, rendered it indispensable to professional success that the early lawyers should become familiar with the Spanish and civil law hence most of the lawyers who became prominent were not only well versed in both, but by persistent effort to become so, formed habits of study and application which gave them well deserved eminence in their profession."

The outstanding lawyer of the earlier period of Missouri's pioneer bar and the dean of the bar of the trans-Mississippi region was John Rice Jones. Jones, a native of Wales, was educated at Oxford and moved to Indiana Territory in 1786. Subsequently he moved to Ste. Genevieve, Louisiana, afterward Missouri Territory, where he filled numerous important offices and died a member of the State Supreme Court.

After the transfer of upper Louisiana in 1804 to the United States, the various administrative units of which Missouri formed a part were presided over by a group of territorial judges who administered both the old French and Spanish law as well as the American laws applicable to the territory. Judges John Griffin, J. B. C. Lucas, Silas Bent, Atho Shrader, Rufus Easton, John Coburn and William Sprigg were numbered among the judges.

Prior to and following the war of 1812, a group of brilliant young lawyers came to Missouri Territory from eastern Tennessee and settled in St. Louis; these men exerted a profound influence upon the legal history of the State. Among them were the three Bartons (David, Joshua and Isaac), the three McGirks (Mathias, Andrew and Isaac), Alexander Gray and James Hawkins Peck. All

lawyer of the State, Hamilton R. Gamble, governor of Missouri, Peyton R. Haydon and Abiel Leonard, leaders of the Cooper county bar, and John F. Ryland of Lexington, Justice of Missouri's Supreme Court. These and others who could be named were giants of their day in an outstanding and influential profession.

### DELTA CCC CAMP HAS IMPROVED DRAINAGE

The object of the work of the CCC camp at Delta has been to perform maintenance work on the improvements of public drainage enterprises.

During the depression, very little maintenance work was done on drainage improvements, and many drainage ditches have fallen into a deplorable condition. Ditches have become completely overgrown with brush and trees, and the capacity of many neglected channels has fallen to one-half or even one-fourth of that necessary for proper drainage and flood protection. Many outlet ditches have silted up and completely buried tile outlets. Many tile lines have been neglected and broken, and have become absolutely ineffective. Levees have become overgrown with brush and vegetation and have become weakened by groundhogs and other rodents.

One of the most important fundamentals in aiding ditches to carry off the required amount of water is the clearing of trees and brush. Clearing a ditch will often double or treble its capacity. Clearing reduces the frequency of flooding and provides better protection and better drainage for farmers dependent upon such ditches. Clearing a levee should be preliminary to establishing a good pasture. A levee should be in sod in order that rodents can be detected more easily. During floods, emergency protection activities can be carried on to better advantage when a levee is in soil and free from brush and small trees.

The readiness of landowners, drainage officials, and drainage organizations to co-operate in this undertaking has been one of the

chief factors in the success of the program.

The use of dynamite is most efficient together with hand excavation in obtaining the proper capacity of many ditches. Sometime during the next month a project will be open to public inspection and at that time the above methods will be clearly demonstrated.

### CAPE WOMAN AWARDED \$4000 AFTER LIBEL SUIT HEARING AGAINST ROACH

A Scott county circuit court jury late Thursday afternoon awarded Mrs. Jettie Hampton of Cape Girardeau \$2000 actual and \$2000 punitive damages after hearing her libel suit against J. P. Roach, a Skeston shoe repair shop operator.

Mrs. Hampton, former police matron in Cape Girardeau, and J. E. Crafton, former police chief,

contended Roach was responsible for their dismissal two years ago by charging them with misconduct in a Cape Girardeau park. Crafton said on the stand Thursday that he was on duty and in a car with another officer the night Roach said he saw Crafton and Mrs. Hampton together.

Roach had filed an answer denying libel but did not appear in court for the trial. He formerly lived at Jackson.

Albert (Monk) Mattingly has filed as a candidate for Charleston city treasurer, subject to the primary on March 2.

Mr. Mattingly until last fall was employed in Kent's shoe store here. He now operates a ready-to-wear shop in Charleston.

Doss Lee has filed for re-election as Charleston city clerk; John Fowlkes for the marshal's office; and Mrs. Bess Mulkey for re-election as city collector.

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50c Olive Shampoo	1.00 Max Factor Face Powder	79c
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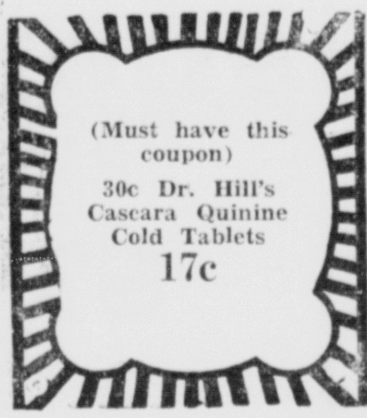
25c Mrs. Halfin's Bird Seed	14c	10c Mrs. Halfin's Dog Soap	7c
25c Mrs. Halfin's Bird Rejuvenator	17c	10c Mrs. Halfin's Fish Food	6c
15c Mrs. Halfin's Bird Sand	9c	1.00 Pratt's Animal Regulator	69c
		50c Walko Egg Maker	37c

## Alarm Clocks and Watches

\$1.25 Keno Alarm Clock	89c
\$3.95 Westclox Big Ben	\$2.98
\$1.75 Eagle Alarm Clock	\$1.09
\$1.00 Cascade Pocket Watch	79c
\$2.98 Cascade Wrist Watch	\$2.00
\$3.89 Rex Wrist Watch	\$2.69



WATCH FOR OUR NEW CIRCULAR THIS WEEK



## IMAGINE SUCH SAVINGS!

### Tooth Pastes

25c Milk Magnesia	11c
25c Boyer's	14c
50c Prescription Powder	9c
50c Rexall Denture Powder	29c
25c Pebecco	17c
25c Squibbs	19c
50c Dr. West's	9c
35c Colgate's	23c
50c Iodent	29c

### Face Creams

50c Jontel Creams	29c
\$1.00 Mona Ray Cream	52c
50c Boyer Cream	29c
\$1.00 Cream Angelus	49c
35c Jasmine Creams	19c
\$1.25 Lady Esther	89c
50c Woodbury's	33c
\$1.15 Derwille	79c
75c Theatrical Cold	39c

### Shaving Creams

35c Prep	11c
25c Palmolive	17c
30c Lifebuoy	26c
35c Williams	29c
35c Boyer's	16c
35c Barbasol	26c
10c Colgate Soap	4c
25c Kleenex	12c
25c Squibbs	19c

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35c GROVE'S BROMO QUININE	19c
\$1.00 UJOHN SUPER-D COD LIVER OIL	68c
\$1.25 PURATONE STOMACH MEDICINE	71c
\$1.20 CALDWELL'S SYRUP PEPSIN	69c
\$1.50 AGAROL	98c
25c PITCHER'S CASTORIA	14c
\$1.25 HALF GALLON MINERAL OIL	69c

### Reliable Deodorants

35c Nonspi	23c
60c Mam	36c
25c Janice	7c
50c Fresh	33c
30c Yodora	21c
50c Quest	36c
50c Dew	39c
50c Spiro	39c
50c Spic Powder	19c
50c Deodo Powd	29c
50c Perstick	27c
35c Odorono	23c
25c ZBT	17c
35c Mum	24c
60c Odorono	52c
65c Nonspi	49c

### Face Powders

50c Gardenglow	29c
50c Boyer's	27c
55c Lady Esther	49c
50c Ben Hur	19c
\$1.00 Lucretia Vanderbilt	67c
50c Nadine	21c
\$1.00 Shari	49c
50c Jontel	27c
\$2.00 Kareess	\$1.09
\$1.00 Mona Ray	52c
25c Janice	7c
\$1.10 Evening in Paris	78c
55c Pompeian	36c
\$1.00 Krassnay	19c
\$1.00 Boquet Ramee	49c
\$1.00 Jasmine Cold Cream	49c

### Popular Antiseptics

\$1.00 Halitoline	19c
50c Glycothymoline	33c
\$1.00 Pepsodent	59c
\$1.00 Calox	55c
50c Pyro Sana	29c
50c Kleenex	27c
30c Sodiphene	21c
25c Tr. Iodine	3c
25c Mercurochrome	3c

### For Indigestion

60c Alka Seltzer	49c
\$1.00 Bi So Dol	67c
Bisma Rex	50c
60c Pape Diapepsin	42c
50c Phillips Magnesia	29c
\$1.50 Citracarbonate	98c
25c Soda Mint Tablets	13c
\$1.00 Alkaroid Po.	69c
50c Cal Bisma	37c

### Health Tonics

\$1.25 Hood's Sarsaparilla	88c
\$1.25 Konjola	83c
\$1.00 Dr. McLean Blood Med.	69c
\$3.00 Psychine Tonic	98c
60c Allens Liver Tonic	39c
\$1.00 Miles Nervine	83c
60c Dr. Thachers Veg. Syrup	42c
50c Groves Chill Tonic	29c
60c Dodsons Levertone	44c

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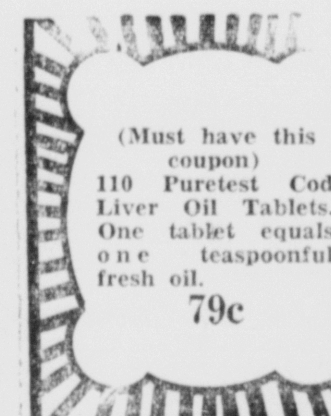
25c Zerbi's Grippe Capsules	16c	35c Dr. Thachers Cough Syrup	26c
25c Rapid Quinine Cold Tablets	11c	\$1.00 Nasal Atomizer	69c
35c Hills Nose Drops	24c	39c Kleenex Handkerchiefs	29c
65c Dr. Kings New Discovery	47c	500's	
25c Dr. Caldwell's Pine Balm	19c	25c St. Joseph's Cold Tablets	19c

## For the Sick Room

35c 1-in. by 1-yd. Adhesive Tape	19c	\$1.00 Ladies Syringe	79c
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WATCH FOR OUR NEW CIRCULAR THIS WEEK

## TO REQUEST NSC'S ADVICE ON TRAFFIC IMPROVEMENT

The city traffic planning board will make representative traffic counts here and send its findings, together with a plat of Sikeston, to the national safety council for recommendations regarding improvement of traffic conditions, members decided at a session Thursday night. Both the number of pedestrians and motor vehicles that pass principal intersections will be included in the survey.

The suggestion that the board ask the national safety council's advice was made by Captain A. D. Sheppard. Members discussed Thursday night the possibility of placing traffic lights at several intersections and the advisability of having Gid Daniels serve as a traffic officer from 12 noon each day until midnight but postponed action on both proposals until after hearing from safety council officials.

The Sikeston Standard \$2 per year

## LEGALS

### Notice of Final Settlement

Notice is hereby given, that the undersigned, Irene Buchanan, Administratrix of the estate of William B. Robinson, deceased, will make final settlement of his accounts with said estate as such Administratrix at the next term of the Probate Court of Scott County, Missouri, to be held at Benton in said county, on the 3rd day of February, A. D. 1937.

IRENE BUCHANAN.

### NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

Notice is hereby given, that letters of administration on the estate of Thomas Griggs, deceased, were granted to the undersigned on the 14th day of January, 1937, by the Probate Court of Scott County, Missouri.

All persons having claims against said estate are required to exhibit them to me for allowance within six months after the date of said letters, or they may be precluded from any benefit of such estate, and if such claims be not exhibited within one year from the date of said letters, they shall be forever barred.

LYNEAR CARTER,

Administrator.

Witness my hand and seal of the Probate Court of Scott County. (Seal) O. L. SPENCER, Probate Judge.

33-35-37-39

## LADY FREED IN DIAMOND TRIAL

Justice of the Peace Solon Lee gave as his decision Thursday afternoon at Wyatt before a packed court room that there was not enough evidence in the by now celebrated diamond theft case against Mrs. Cathryn Pullam, wife of Needham Pullam to warrant binding the case over to Circuit Court on a felony charge. The value of the diamond was estimated by its owner at \$600.

The trial held in the Rafferty Gin Company's office created a sensation when various witnesses testified in the case in which "Uncle Joe" Gutzwiller, 72-year-old veteran of the county accused the attractive defendant of biting his diamond stick pin from his tie, while hugging him amorously and professing love for him. The defendant denied that she had met Mr. Gutzwiller regularly over a period of time, and especially the specific instance when the defendant is alleged to have accompanied him on an evening tryst to the "Negro Ditch" vicinity on October 12, which is the evening she is said by the plaintiff to have stolen his diamond.

The diamond theft case had been transferred from the office of Justice of the Peace Owen Cook, in Charleston to Wyatt before Judge Solon Lee, a Charleston Democrat.

### 4-H CLUB NEWS

The Hunter Health and First Aid club will study artificial respiration, caring for the injured and emergency treatments at their next meeting.

Members of the club have been studying rules and practices for good health during the past and have practiced bandages and emergency treatments for common emergencies on the farm.

Miss Ruth Cockrel, club secretary, reports that ten members attended the last meeting.

The Vanduser 4-H corn club will continue in 1937. Three visitors were present at the meeting at which new officers were elected and the club reorganized after finishing their 1936 project.

The club is planning work on the school yard, according to a report from Bill Louis Lane, club secretary. The club has six members.

Miss Evelyn Allard, of Sikeston, was one of the senior members of the Phi Theta Kappa honorary scholastic group at William Woods College, Fulton, who entertained the prospective members of the group at dinner this week. Only seven seniors are members of this group, which requires an "S" average for membership.



W. S. BROCK

## PROGRAM ARRANGED FOR CREDIT GROUP MEETING

Announcement was made today by John R. Gaty, secretary-treasurer of the Sikeston Production Credit Association that W. S. Brock, vice-president of the Production Credit Corporation of St. Louis, has accepted an invitation to be the principal speaker at its annual stockholders' meeting to be held on January 26.

The meeting will be held in the Sikeston, beginning at 10 o'clock in the morning. The program will include a report on the year's business by Mr. Gaty, and President E. P. Coleman, Jr., and talks by R. F. Anderson, Sikeston NFLA secretary-treasurer, and F. A. Coe, assistant secretary of the Federal Intermediate Credit Bank. The expired term of three directors will be filled at an election which will be a part of the meeting. As a co-operative credit institution established as a part of the farm credit administration, each stockholder of the Sikeston Production Credit Association exercises one vote in annual elections and other business affairs of the association.

## WOMAN ACQUITTED OF CHICKEN THEFT CHARGE

Mrs. Nora Jones of near Vanduser was acquitted Friday night of a charge of stealing chickens in the night time.

Jurors who heard testimony in her case deliberated almost four hours after retiring at 5 o'clock. E. M. Munger of Chaffee was appointed by the court to represent the defendant. It was the first case of its kind court attaches remembered.

Mrs. Jones was bound to the

circuit court December 11 when she waived a preliminary hearing in Judge L. W. Woodward's court at Vanduser. The state accused her of stealing between twelve and eighteen chickens from George Elspertman, a farmer neighbor, on the night of December 3 and of trading five of them to Buster Robinson for a hog.

Mrs. Jones and her husband are separated. She has a 12-year-old son.

Three divorces were granted in court Friday: Christine from Clifton Helton and custody of a minor child, Clifton Helton, Jr.; Thelma from Paul Anderson and a change of name to Thelma Hale; Maude from Edward Dupree and custody of two children, Elvah Minnie, 16, and George Allen Dupree, 11.

Judge Frank Kelly granted Prosecuting Attorney W. P. Wilkerson until Saturday to file an amended petition to his writ of mandamus asking for an order directing the county court to pay his November and December salary and expenses. M. E. Montgomery, who is representing the defendant, filed a demurrer Friday.

Granting of a change of venue to Floyd Smith for his second trial on a charge of killing W. T. Carlton at Gray's Point on May 8, 1935, was continued until Saturday.

Smith, for whom the state supreme court ordered a new trial after his appeal from a life sentence imposed following his conviction of the murder, has been kept in the Butler county jail since he was returned from the state penitentiary early this winter. Sheriff Wade Anderson's plan to take him to Benton Friday was abandoned when he learned roads to Poplar Bluff were closed by high water.

## SEN. TRUMAN ASSIGNED TO APPROPRIATION ROLES

Washington, January 15.—Senator Harry S. Truman received assignment today to two Senate Appropriations Subcommittees in which he said he was particularly interested—War Department and Agriculture.

Truman also was assigned to the State, Justice, Commerce and Labor and the Independent Offices Subcommittees. The District of Columbia was among subcommittee assignments he gave up.

Truman is a "big army" advocate.

Will Hear of New Plan

Series of Community Meetings Will Cover County

Scott county farmers will have opportunity to get first hand in-

formation about the 1937 agricultural conservation program in a series of eight township meetings to be held in the county during this week, according to County Agent F. B. Veatch, Jr.

At these meetings farmers will also have an opportunity to vote in the election of community committeemen who will administer the program locally during the next year.

Producers who operate their own farms and tenants and landlords who share in the crops produced on a farm are all eligible to vote. However, producers who own or operate farms in more than one community will be permitted to vote only in one community. Voting by proxy will not be permitted at community meetings.

The schedule for township meetings for the county is as follows:

Tuesday, January 19	
Sylvania-Oran, 1:30 p. m., City Hall.	
Moreland-Benton, 1:30 p. m., Court Room.	
Kelso-Kelso, 7:00 p. m., Parish Hall.	
Morley-Vanduser, 7:00 p. m., High School.	
Wednesday, January 20	
Commerce-Commerce, 1:30 p. m., City Hall.	
Sandywoods-Blodgett, 1:30 p. m., Church Basement.	
Richland-Sikeston, 7:30 p. m., High School.	
Tywapity-Diehstadt, 7:30 p. m., High School.	

## SEN. KINNEY TO PILOT MEASURE FOR STATE INDIGENTS' HOSPITAL

Jefferson City, Mo., January 15.—Gov. Stark announced today that legislation for the construction of a state hospital for indigent patients, with special reference to cancer treatment, will be handled as an administration measure by Senator Michael Kinney of St. Louis.

This announcement came after the Governor and Senator Kinney had conferred with members of two committees of the Missouri State Medical Association, who have drafted preliminary plans for the institution, which would be located at Columbia and be under the control of the Board of Curators of Missouri University.

Physicians who attended the conference were Doctors W. L. Allee of Eldon, Frank Harrison of Mexico and William Breuer of St. James, representing the association's Committee on Public Policy, and Doctors Ellis Fischel of St. Louis, Dudley Robnett of Columbia and Earl J. Padgett of Kansas City, representing the Committee on Cancer.

The bill, which Kinney will introduce, will be drafted as rapidly

## Central Figures in Big Birthday Party



President Franklin D. Roosevelt, whose birthday January 30 will be the occasion for a series of 5,000 celebrations to be held throughout the country to raise funds for the nation's war against infantile paralysis. Right, Colonel Henry L. Doherty, for the fourth time national chairman of the world's biggest birthday party.

as possible in co-operation with the physicians, and will be in line with recommendations made by Gov. Stark in his inaugural address.

No appropriation will be requested in the bill, this matter being left to the Committee on Appropriations to act upon after the approximate cost has been determined.

Members of the group of physicians estimated that for a 300-bed hospital, such as contemplated, the cost would be approximately \$1,000,000.

Dr. Fischel revealed that if the proposal for constructing the hospital is successful it is planned to follow it up with the establishment of cancer clinics in seven or eight of the larger cities of the state. These clinics would be manned by physicians who would serve without compensation and who would refer cases to the state hospital for treatment whenever necessary.

The cost of maintaining patients in the hospital, according to tentative plans, would be borne by the counties from which they are sent. The administration of this provision would be left in the hands of the County Court and the cost of each patient would be fixed by legislative enactment.

There would be provisions for co-operation between the state hospital and the state eleemosynary institutions for the treatment of patients in the latter institu-

tions needing special medical care.

Senator Kinney said that while the hospital would be primarily for the treatment of all indigent patients, one wing would be assigned for cancer cases. He said he did not believe \$1,000,000 would be an excessive amount to spend in the furtherance of this type of aid.

Gov. Stark pointed out in his inaugural message that cancer now ranks second among all diseases as cause of death and exacts a toll twice as great as tuberculosis. Missouri spends \$1,400,000 annually for the care of the tuberculosis, but no appropriation has as yet been provided for the cancer sufferers.

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Clyde—I took my girl horseback riding, but she said the horse I hired was too skittish. Harold—Oh, she got sore and walked home.

Little Audrey was riding in an airplane with her pet rabbit. All of a sudden the rabbit jumped out of the window.

Little Audrey looked down and saw the rabbit falling to the ground and quickly threw his bottle of shampoo out of the window and just laughed and laughed and laughed, because she knew that shampoo would stop falling hair.—Jackson Cash-Book.

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It is encouraging to find at least one man in political office who is apparently immune to the pitfalls which usually beset such gentlemen. We have in mind Harry Blanton, United States District Attorney, now located in St. Louis. His latest feat consisted of putting the rancid Muehner conspirators away indefinitely. That was not an easy task for it seemed that Nellie and her crew had from three to five acres tucked away in sleeves and elsewhere. Furthermore, Mr. Blanton runs his office as he believes it should be run, paying no attention to the pack of tin horn political bosses who have tried to stuff his office with "some of the boys who need a job." Such lads are still on the outside looking in. Meanwhile Mr. Blanton selects men with ability and brains and then worries with the problem of getting the appointment pushed through. May his tribe increase.—Charleston Courier.

Many applications for positions under the State Government at Jefferson City will find there will not be near so many vacancies as expected. In the first place the Governor has but a limited number of Key positions at his disposal and those selected must be eminently fitted for the positions, both in experience and temperament. Those who will be selected as aids to the Key positions must make applications in writing, then receive a blank to be filled out to be filed with the application. Then from the list will be selected the aids or assistants, clerks, bookkeepers, stenographers, etc. Those who were re-elected to the elective offices already have a full corps of assistants, and if there will be changes in these departments depends wholly on the officers. This paragraph is to inform prospective applicants as to routine to follow and they need not be disappointed if they are not chosen.

## SURPRISE BIRTHDAY PARTY

Twenty-two friends of Doyle Heath, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Heath, surprised him Saturday night with a party, at his home, in compliment to his 17th birthday anniversary.

## GEORGE KIRK RE-ELECTED AREA SCOUT PRESIDENT

George W. Kirk was re-elected president of the Southeast Missouri area Boy Scout council at an annual meeting in Charleston Sunday afternoon.

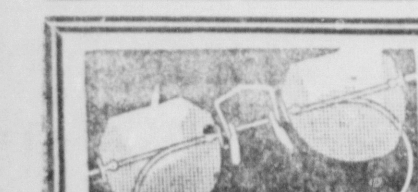
Charles Oliver of Bloomfield, E. Moxley and A. F. Deneke of Cape Girardeau were elected as vice-presidents, C. L. Mitchell, secretary and Mr. Brennan, treasurer.

Organization of Boy Scout troops in additional small communities throughout the district and an intensive program of advancement for Scouts will be stressed particularly this year, leaders decided at a business session Sunday afternoon. Scouts also voted to ask various civic organizations to help enlarge the new Scout camp on the St. Francis river in Wayne county by sponsoring individual building projects. The camp program has been designed as a permanent project, and gradual expansion is being planned.

Jesse Downs, a prominent Scout leader of Charleston, welcomed delegates to the meeting before they adjourned for group sessions on organization, advancement, finance, camping, health and safety, and the work of Scoutmasters, commissioners, and cub leaders.

Walter W. Head of St. Louis, for many years president of the national council of the Boy Scouts of America, spoke at a banquet Sunday evening on "The Changing World," urging leaders to alter their scouting programs to harmonize with changing conditions.

B. F. Montgomery, a Scout leader in the Malden district, was awarded a silver beaver in recognition for his work.



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# LOCALS

Bill Fox, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Fox of this city is now located in Boston, where he is taking a short course in law, in order to fit himself for an insurance adjuster with the Liberty Mutual Insurance Co., of that city. Mrs. Fox will remain in Memphis, Tenn., a short time before joining her husband.

Mrs. Ruby Anthony, who has been the guest of her son and daughter-in-law, Dr. and Mrs. W. A. Anthony, for several weeks, left Friday for her home in Indianapolis, Ind.

3 Model A Fords, cash or terms. Miss Louis Ellen Tanner, Miss Jane Mitchell, Miss Rita Heisserer and Mrs. Walter Ancell spent Sunday in Memphis, P. D. Malone, who is attending medical school there, returned home with them to visit that night and Monday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Malone.

Mrs. Earl Johnson had as luncheon guests Monday, Mrs. Dwight Fisher, Mrs. Chas. Barnett, Mrs. Chas. Ranch, Mrs. Rus Bienert and Mrs. Josie Hart, all of Morehouse.

Mrs. Earl Johnson was a luncheon guest Thursday of Mrs. Chas. Barnett in Morehouse.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Northington, Mrs. Clyde Graham and Mrs. Ernest Harper were in Poplar Bluff Thursday.

M. B. Fecoz of Port Arthur, Tex., visited Mr. and Mrs. Frank Moody Sunday while en route to St. Louis where he has recently accepted a position with an insurance company. Later he will be joined there by his family to make their home in that city.

3 Model A Fords, cash or terms. Mrs. L. J. Langley, 215 S. Prairie. Mrs. Ed Arnold of Chaffee spent the week-end here with her daughter, Miss Mary Rose Arnold, who is in the finance department of the WPA office.

Mrs. Monica Wilkins and daughter, Miss Iva of near Kelo were guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Simler, Sunday.

Miss Rosemary Putnam had as guests Sunday, Miss Ruth Ann Ashby, Miss Ann Winchester, Miss Freda Johnson and Miss Joanna Oliver, all of Charleston.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Putnam and daughter, Miss Rosemary, visited in Charleston, Friday evening.

James Aubrey Shain, son of Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Shain, is improving after an attack of illness verging onto pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Putnam were in Cape Girardeau Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Langley and family spent the week end with relatives in Piggott, Ark. They were accompanied home by Mrs. Langley's sister, Mrs. J. W. Files and baby daughter, Mary Lou, and nephew, Russell D. Wiggs, who are visiting them this week.

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Mrs. John Powell, Miss Audrey Chaney, Mrs. C. L. Blanton, Sr., Mrs. Ben Hahn and Mrs. Ed Kendall attended the meeting of the Scott county women's Democratic club, in Benton Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. John Riley of New



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3 1/4 inch film will easily give you a sparkling 8 x 10 inch enlargement.

A word about subjects for enlargements—particularly if they're to be used as gifts. Choose pictures that will mean something to the recipients. A shot of Fido trying to climb a tree after Cleo, the cat, will be vastly appreciated by big brother or sister away at College, but it won't mean very much to Aunt Cynthia who doesn't care for either dogs or cats.

Some of the best enlargements we've seen have been landscapes—or seascapes. Mountains usually make good pictures.

A friend of ours makes a practice of getting informal shots of his friends which are enlarged and delivered to the various cronies as gifts. All of which simplified his gift problem.

With the coming of summer you will be getting many pictures that will make beautiful enlargements such as a picture of grandmother in the flower garden, or sister standing in front of a tree filled with beautiful spring blossoms.

Opportunities for beautiful pictures are countless at this time of year, so go forth with your camera and get them.

JOHN VAN GUILDER.

Madrid visited friends in Sikeston, Sunday afternoon.

The Russell-Bradley missionary society will serve lunch Thursday noon at the Boyce Implement Company, to those attending the implement demonstration that will be held there during the day.

A peculiar souvenir of the Spanish-American war is owned by W. O. Scales, of Concord, N. H. It is an old biscuit served him during the war and has the names of three of his buddies written on it.

From the University of California's College of Agriculture comes the announcement that weeds cost the United States \$3,000,000,000 a year. Incidentally, total cost of crime in this country is estimated at \$12,000,000,000 and the common cold is said to cost \$2,000,000,000 a year. The only item of loss in America over the billion mark, except the above, is classified as automobile accidents, \$1,600,000,000. Total wastage in the United States is estimated at nearly half the national income which was \$53,000,000,000 in 1935.

Mrs. Nat Baron has returned from a visit with relatives in St. Louis.

Maggie and Jiggs dinner and supper Wednesday, Jan. 20, at Parish Hall. Catholic Ladies, sponsors.

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The boys will go to Cape Girardeau this (Tuesday) evening for a game with Central high. On Friday night, both Sikeston teams will play Morehouse here.

METHODISTS VOTE \$1555 FOR BENEVOLENCE FUND

Sikeston Methodist church members voted at a quarterly conference Sunday night to assume \$1555 as their contribution for the general benevolence fund of the southern Methodist church this year.

The money will be used for the work of the church in this country.

The Rev. Dawson C. Bryan, presiding elder of the Cape Girardeau district, presided at the conference.

NAVAL NOTES

A new twelve vessel, 1500-ton destroyer squadron for the scouting force of the United States fleet will be formed in the early spring, according to present plans

# RECOVERY NOTES

(Compiled by Dwight H. Brown, Secretary of State.)

General business was approximately 20 per cent better in 1936 than in 1933, according to the weekly letter of the Administrative and Research Corporation. It characterizes the past year as one of many all-time records, among the more important being the consumption of gasoline, electric power and cigarettes. A survey of trends in industry for 1936, as compared with the previous year, follows:

Automobile—Total production for the year reached 4,565,000 units, a volume exceeded in the industry's entire history only by the 1933-1934 total. Profit margins recorded an excellent upturn, the total dollar value of the output being about \$2.4 billions. The industry's gain, as compared with 1935, was 10.8 per cent.

Building—Total contracts awarded in the thirty-seven states east of the Rocky Mountains exceeded \$2.7 billions, as against \$1.8 billions in 1935, a gain of 45 per cent. Residential construction was 69 per cent above 1935, which in turn was more than 90 per cent higher than in 1934.

Corporate Earnings—That 1936 was to be a successful year profit-wise became apparent as interim reports were published during the period and finally in the last quarter as the flow of dividend increases and extras gathered momentum. While the year-end distributions may be attributed to the undistributed earnings tax, actually it was the increased earning power of industry that justified their payment. Earnings last year were the largest since 1930.

Machinery—The year was the most successful since 1929-1930 for industrial machinery and farm equipment manufacturers. The machine tool industry operated on a 24-hour basis during the period. Actual heavy tool sales were 50 per cent greater than in 1935, while manufacturers of large industrial stokers and general power plant equipment reported sales gains ranging from 40 to 75 per cent over those of the previous year.

Merchandising—Preliminary figures place total 1936 retail trade close to \$38 billions. This represents an increase of 14 per cent over 1935. Mail order concerns led the retail field with sales gains averaging 25 per cent, followed by department stores with volume increases of 14 per cent, and ten cent stores with gains of 7 per cent.

Oil—Operations in the oil industry during 1936 closely paralleled 1935 gains and earnings were the best since 1929. Gasoline demand reached a new peak but under the impetus of industrial recovery, fuel oil demand showed a higher percentage gain. The industry is now in its best position in years.

Public Utilities—Stimulated by the rising trend of industrial production and by greater residential demand, electric energy output increased 13 per cent in 1936, attaining the largest kw-h figure in history.

Railroads—The year 1936 witnessed by far the most decisive revival in railroad traffic since the start of the recovery move. Revenue carloadings were 14.5 per cent above those of 1935. Net profit of Class 1 railroads for the year reached \$155 millions, as compared with \$75 millions in the previous year.

Stocks—Trading on the New York Stock Exchange during the year was 30 per cent above 1935, reaching the largest total since 1933. The year also witnessed an increase of 29 per cent in the average value of all issues listed on this market.

Tobacco—Sustained growth in the demand for tobacco products permitted a moderate increase in earnings during 1936 in spite of higher leaf costs. Cigarette production increased 11 per cent over 1935 to an all-time peak of 150 billion, or over 100 standard packs per adult person in the U. S. Reflecting improved purchas-

ing power, cigar production also expanded about 8 per cent.

Expanding revenues, renewed equipment buying and increased employment tells the 1936 story of the nation's railroads. Net income of class 1 roads rose to \$150,000,000, compared with \$7,339,127 in 1935 and a deficit of \$16,887,078 in 1934; gross revenues approximated \$4,000,000,000, a gain of 16 per cent over 1935; passenger traffic, the largest since 1930, was 19 per cent greater than in the previous year; maintenance expenses rose from \$166,000,000 in 1935 to \$124,200,000; rail employment was the largest in five years; revenue freight loadings increased 4,340,000 cars to 35,900,000, a gain of 13.8 per cent over 1935, and purchases of new cars and locomotives jumped from \$79,335,000 in 1935 to \$125,000,000 last year.

Farmers, workers and coupon clippers, with the expanding revenues of the industrial upturn in their pockets, hoisted the 1936 volume of retail trade to approximately \$36,680,000,444, the best level since 1930. The amount, estimated by the National Retail Drygoods Association, represents a 12 per cent increase over 1935.

Among the industries to be spotlighted in 1937 stands construction, says the Magazine Business Week. Gains in the past year have been substantial but no new peak has been reached. Not even 1937 holds the promise of eclipsing the big building year of 1925-1929, nor will the percentage of gain be as great as 1936's margin over 1935. But a 20-25 per cent increase seems assured, with residential activity spurting at least 40 per cent ahead of last year.

The year 1936 was an outstanding one in the electric light and power industry, reports the Edison Electric Institute. Electric output for the period was estimated at 109,000,000 kilowatt hours, an increase of 13.5 per cent over 1935 and 17 per cent above the 1929 pre-depression peak.

Mines and tailing mills of the Tri-state district, in the statistical year just ended, enjoyed the greatest demand and best values for lead and zinc output since 1930. The combined value of the 1936 deliveries of lead and zinc totaled \$17,011,528, as compared with \$13,236,057 in 1935, or a gain of better than 28 per cent.

The quoted value of shares listed in the New York Stock Exchange increased \$15,000,000,000 in 1936, continuing with only occasional interruptions the persistent ascent to higher prices that began in March, 1935. Shares listed at \$44,950,590,351 when 1936 opened were worth \$60,019,557,197 when the year closed.

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# Fight Cancer With Knowledge

Cancer can be cured and is being cured today. Every physician has many patients who have had a positively diagnosed cancer and who are alive and well. In fact, there are today in the United States over 25,000 individuals, both male and female, completely cured of cancer.

There is a huge amount of fear, ignorance and secrecy about cancer. We have always had cancer. It is found in trees, in the lower animals and in man. It has existed from the time when man first began his earthly career. When people die today, we know very accurately just what caused their death. Vital statistics record for study many cases of cancer that heretofore were not recognized.

I will try to explain in as simple a way as possible the outstanding feature that is exhibited by all types and all forms of cancer. The body is made up of innumerable cells. Each of these cells, within certain limitations, carries on its own life, has its own purpose, but lives always with due regard for the other cells in its vicinity. When cancer makes its appearance, a few cells invade upon and destroy their neighboring cells. In other words, these cancer cells grow without due regard to the other cells in their neighborhood and by their growth destroy normal cells and make a swelling or a lump—what your doctor calls a tumor.

From time to time, an announcement is made, with great and widespread publicity, of "a cancer cure." The medical profession is then placed in the position of opposing or denying these supposedly great discoveries of

alleged scientists. For many years, the best minds in medical research have been working on the cause of cancer and its treatment. There is no scientific evidence that any serum, or drug or combination of drugs will or does cure cancer. It has been thoroughly demonstrated, however, that cancer in the early stages is curable by competent surgery and by the use of X-ray and radium.

The medical profession must not only provide adequate and effective medical treatment, but in addition, and equally important, it must protect the public from fraudulent claims of cure. The physician is able to see the tremendous harm that is done to suffering humanity by false claims of cure. The effect of any alleged "cure" is to instill in the mind of the patient a hope that unfortunately cannot be realized. Then follow the delay, the neglect, the expense of following the will-o'-the-wisp of the alleged discovery, and finally the time is past when cancer is curable.

Your doctor is your friend. He can advise you, institute the proper laboratory examinations so that in a very short time you can know accurately what is the trouble. There is not one single disease which afflicts mankind which is made better by not knowing what it is.

The U. S. navy maintains eighteen hospitals for the welfare of the personnel of the navy and marine corps. One is a Canacao, P. I., one in Guam, one in Hawaii, the others are located in the United States. There are also three naval dispensaries.

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"Missouri's Holiday Trade Spurts to Highest Level Since 1929, Survey Shows."

"U. S. Department of Commerce Predicts Greatest Volume of Holiday Merchandise Sales Since 1929."

"Merchants' Reports Show Increase in December Sales of 15 Per Cent Over 1935 and 30 Per Cent Over Depression Period."

Newspaper headlines similar to the above are encouraging reminders that we all may anticipate greater business activities during the coming year.

The National Re-employment Service will continue to contribute to the increasing prosperity of this nation, state, and Community. Because we operate public employment offices whose facilities are available to all employers and all workers without charge to either, our business is to aid all business.

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205 P. O. Bldg.—Sikeston

C. C. Chandler, Mgr.

Phone 731



## Rising Waters Flood Thousands of Acres

The Black, White, and St. Francis rivers again flooded large areas of Southeast Missouri and Northeast Arkansas last week end and in Illinois, the Ohio, Wabash, and several smaller rivers left their banks, endangering many homes.

Most severely suffering of the Missouri counties were Stoddard, Butler, Dunklin, and Wayne. The Black river reached a stage of 17.1 feet in Poplar Bluff Friday and the homes of 600 persons were endangered. Conditions in the eastern and southern portions of the Bluff were slightly bettered after Thursday night, when parts of drainage district 7's levee were swept out, allowing water to cover farms south of the town.

The village of Hendrickson was almost deserted when the seventy-five families moved to the homes of friends in nearby hills. Fifty families slept Thursday night in the Butler county court-house and an equal number found shelter elsewhere. The following morning many were fed at the Christian church under the direction of relief agencies, including the Red Cross. Wallace Crossley, head of the Missouri relief commission, on Friday night released 2000 pounds of dried peas, 3000 pounds of prunes, 2620 cans of soup stock, 2000 cans of tomatoes, and 1500 small sacks of flour to be used by flood sufferers.

In Dunklin county, 875 WPA employees worked last week-end on a twenty-seven mile stretch of the St. Francis river levee. They were sent to the flood-threatened

area late Thursday after C. L. Blanton, Jr., the ninth district WPA director, secured authority to draft all certified WPA workers in Dunklin and Pemiscot counties and an additional 150 from among farmers who formerly received aid under the emergency relief program. A. T. Douglass, the district labor supervisor, Prewitt Roberts, district director of operations, and other WPA officials were helping U. S. army engineers supervise the work.

Mr. Blanton said Friday after his return from a visit to Dunklin county that if the levee broke near Kennett water would enter the town. Most weakened places were near Holcomb, near Cardwell and above and below Kennett.

Earth WPA workers had recently placed on it in undertaking a repair project has not yet settled properly. The levee west of Kennett was sloughing badly.

Engineers expected the river's stage to reach a record high by Saturday night after standing at twenty-seven feet Friday. Workers had used 40,000 sandbags on the levee and were damming the water-filled ditch immediately east of the levee to form an added bulwark against the St. Francis current. Water stood in the floodway east of Kennett. Five national guard companies—from Poplar Bluff, Hayti, Kennett, Bernie, and Charleston—were on duty patrolling the levees of St. Francis and Black river. Additional sandbags were to be sent from Memphis.

Rainfall at Williamsville totaled

5.27 by Friday but here it was only 2.30 inches for Wednesday and Thursday together. Water was over the Missouri Pacific tracks near Harvill, south of Poplar Bluff, and Frisco service between the Bluff and Pigott was discontinued because several feet of water covered the tracks. Two miles of Frisco track east of Rombauer were washed out.

The traffic situation was slightly improved Saturday. While on Friday, motor traffic to Poplar Bluff was stopped except from the west, on Saturday, the division ten highway offices reported Highway 67 north and south of the Bluff was opened again. Highway 60 was still closed from Dudley west, and the St. Francis levee near Holcomb was expected to go out Saturday afternoon, flooding many farms and roads, including Highway 25.

Route 25 at the diversion channel in Cape Girardeau county was reopened, as were Routes SA in Cape county six miles west of Dutchtown and 34 east of Patterson. Highway 51 in Stoddard county north of U. S. 60 was closed to Puxico. Bad shoulder washes were seen on many highways, and motorists were not allowed Friday on Route 91 between Lutesville and Advance or on 53 south of Poplar Bluff.

On Friday, a sheet of water was pouring eight feet over the top of the large powersite dam on Lake Taneycomo near Forsythe. The Taneycomo watershed serves a wide area and most streams are reported at flood stage. Water was also pouring last week-end over the Highway 65 bridge across the Finley river at Ozark.

In Eastern Arkansas, waters of the Black, White, and St. Francis rivers began going over levees into bottom lands. Heavy rains were falling. Particular damage was done at Corning, Newport, and Paragould.

Many Southern Illinois towns were surrounded by water as rivers rose and hard rains continued.

In Harrisburg, 4.02 inches of rain fell between Wednesday and Friday night, forcing seventy-five families to leave homes in boats for safer shelters. More than 100 moved before water inundated the land.

Residents said the water was at its highest level since 1913. The Harrisburg city ice plant was operating with six inches of water standing on its main floor, bus service was discontinued. At Shawneetown, ferry service was halted, and near Vandalia, St. Carmel, and Marion dwellers were evacuating the lowlands. The Marion mayor rescued thirty-five persons stranded in bottom country, placing some in the school building for the night. A

sorority house in Carbondale stood four feet in water.

### NATION TO STAGE BIGGEST BIRTHDAY PARTY IN WORLD

New York—Prosperity having come around the corner and the American public being better informed than ever before concerning the national fight against infantile paralysis, Colonel Henry L. Doherty, for the fourth year chairman of the national committee for the President's Birthday Ball, expects Americans will celebrate Mr. Roosevelt's fifty-fifth birthday with unexampled enthusiasm on January 30.

Early response to the committee's proposals, he said today, was such as to indicate millions of Americans would hold more and bigger parties this year than ever before. Preliminary estimates were for more than five thousand balls scattered over the entire country in great cities and tiny hamlets all the way from the Atlantic to the Pacific, from the Canadian to the Mexican borders.

The proceeds on the basis of collections in previous years were expected to exceed a million dollars.

More than 300,000 victims of poliomyelitis in the United States continue to need the assistance of their fellow citizens in rehabilitating themselves as useful members of the community, he pointed out. This year seventy cents out of every dollar will be used for the benefit of sufferers in the locality where the money is collected. The remainder will be turned over to the President for the Warm Springs Foundation to enable the institution to continue its national leadership in the battle of mankind against the mysterious and often fatal malady.

Leaders in every field of national activity have rallied to the national committee in its efforts to make the all-American birthday party a success. Science, art, labor, politics and society are all prepared to lend their support to the committee. The press, the radio, the movies and other agencies of propaganda, as in former years, have generously offered their space and time. Among the national leaders who were prompt to accept membership on the national committee were: Ambassador Joseph V. Davies, Charles G. Dawes, Edsel B. Ford, Walter S. Gifford, William Green, Patrick Cardinal Hayes, William Randolph Hearst, Bishop William T. Manning and General John J. Pershing.

Mr. Ford wired: "I shall be very glad to join with the others on the national committee for the President's Birthday Ball."

Mr. Hearst: "I will be very happy to serve and appreciate

very much your kind invitation." Cardinal Hayes was pleased to consent to lend my name," and other acceptances were in similar vein.

Several local chairmen, when they were asked to serve this year, completely satisfied headquarters with a cheerful single word, "Sure," they said, or "Okay".

With the customary presidential inaugural ball in Washington eliminated this year, the National capital will outdo itself in celebration of the birthday of the chief executive. As has been the custom for the past three years, President Roosevelt is expected to broadcast a message to the celebrants throughout the nation on his fifty-fifth birthday.

Endorsing the 1937 effort against poliomyelitis, the President wrote: "My own views are that the national fight against infantile paralysis cannot cease. It must go on. I am sure that the Birthday celebrations in 1937 can be even of increased value to the nationwide fight against infantile paralysis which is being conducted."

### VEATCH EXPLAINS CARE OF ICE-DAMAGED TREES

In response to numerous requests from Scott countians, F. B. Veatch, Jr., the county agent, makes the following suggestions in repairing ice-damaged trees:

Some trees have been damaged beyond repair. In severe cases nothing can be done. This is true especially where trunks have been split.

Pruning should be as light as possible in order to keep enough leaf surface to maintain the tree through the next season. This may leave the tree one-sided and poorly formed but this can be remedied by additional pruning after the tree has recuperated from the severe damage.

In removing limbs of two inches in diameter or over, one should make an under-cut about twelve to fifteen inches from the trunk and then saw down on the outside

of the under-cut until the limb breaks off. Next make a full cut flush with the trunk to remove the stub. This is important because as one cut is made the weight of the limb will cause it to break off before the cut is complete usually tearing the bark several feet.

Proper drainage must be secured. Decay takes place where moisture collects. All saw-cuts should be made on a sharp slope.

All cuts and injuries over two inches in diameter should be water-proofed to keep out moisture and decay while healing over. For sound wood use tar roofing paint, white lead or any other thick paint. The living, green cambium layer, seated between the inner bark and the separate wood, should be protected by a light coat of shellac. All diseased wood should be removed.

Use sharp tools. An axe should never be used in pruning work. Regular pruning shears are the best for small limbs. A carpenter's rip saw does well and, in cases of large limbs, a regular cross cut saw can be used. A double rope, run through a crotch high in the tree, will insure safety to the workmen.

Pruning should be completed before March 1 as growth is renewed about this time. If pruning is not done by that time it should be deferred until late fall. Fertilizer will be beneficial to shade trees after the drastic drought of last season and the ice damage of this winter. Fertilizing should be done after leaves start. Additional information will be given at that time regarding the amount and kind of fertilizer to be used for shade trees.

### BIBLE REVAMPED TO CONFORM WITH NAZI DOCTRINES

Berlin, Jan. 14.—German church goers were offered today a Germanized version of the gospel according to St. John, prepared by one of the strongest "German Christian" groups.

Though not so altered as was the Sermon on the Mount in the version prepared by Reichsbishop Ludwig Mueller, the revised gospel follows the same tactics wherever changes are necessary to conform with Nazi doctrines. Thus, though the revised version never asserts that Christ was not a Jew, there are such changes from the Luther version—which is almost identical with the St. James version—as in Chapter 4, third verse. Here, in the St. James version, it is said of Christ: "He left Judaea, and departed again into Galilee." The revised version is: "When Jesus learned that, he left the Jew-land and went again into his homeland, Galilee."

There were other such distinctions. Moses is not mentioned as giver of the Jewish laws. Other early Jewish prophets are not mentioned at all. In passages where followers address Christ as "Rabbi," "rabbi" becomes "master."

Passages such as those of Chapter 2, twentieth verse, which starts "then said the Jews," are altered to read somewhat as follows: "The Jews jeered and said."

A brief introduction to the revised version is the "communal work of a circle in Bremen." It is signed by Bishop Heinz Weidemann, Bishop of Bremen, an outstanding German Christian who, with two others, founded last November the so-called League for German Christianity at the Castle of Wartburg where Luther wrote the first books of his version of the Bible.

The introduction says, "Let sticklers become annoyed with us; we want to help him who searches for the truth. The German of the third reich must know the meaning of Christ whom the Jews nailed to the cross."

The Nazi gospel radically changes fundamental passages of St. John which give offense to Nazi feeling. Thus the Nazis reject mysticism and extol rational religion. The fifty-third verse of

the sixth chapter, in the St. James version, is: "Then Jesus said unto them, verily, verily, I say unto you, except ye eat the flesh of the son of man, and drink his blood, ye have no life in you." This becomes: "I tell you that unless you let yourself be filled with the divine power of this man of flesh and blood you will not bear any real life in you."

Navy Wife: "The milk you left yesterday was sour."  
Milkman: "That's too bad."  
Navy Wife: "Well, what are you going to do about it?"  
Milkman: "I could bring you a recipe for making cheese."

"It's so good of you, Doctor, to have come this far to see my husband."

"Not at all, madam, not at all. I have a patient next door, and I thought I'd kill two birds with one stone."

The weight of a ship's anchor is approximately one pound for each ton of the ship's weight.

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Sikeston, Missouri

Everything for your entertainment and comfort.

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MONDAY, JAN. 18—

## "Camille"

With Greta Garbo and Robert Taylor.

Comedy and Paramount news.

TUESDAY, JAN. 19—

## American Theatre

Charleston, Missouri

LAST SHOWING

MONDAY, JAN. 18—

"GARDEN OF ALLAH"

With Marlene Dietrich.

News and Comedy.

TUESDAY, JAN. 19—

"LET'S MAKE A MILLION"

With Edward Everett Horton.

Comedy and Short.

WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY, JAN. 20-21—

MORE ENTERTAINMENT  
THAN THERE'S TEA IN CHINA!

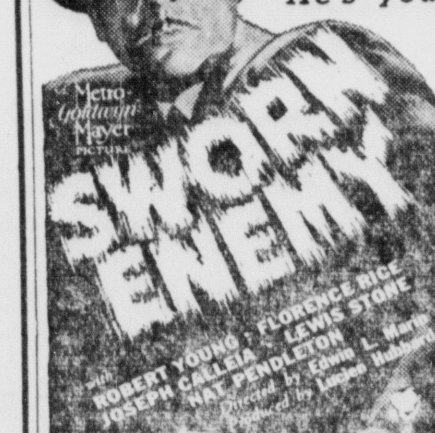


Comedy and Short.

FRIDAY, JAN. 22—

SMASH THIS MAN

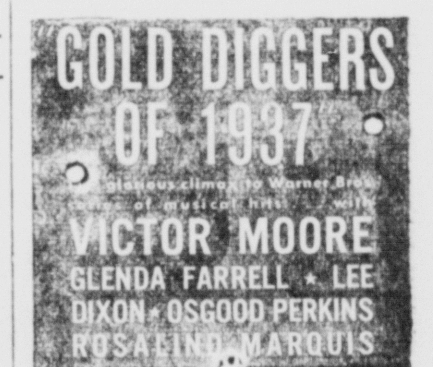
...or his racket will wreck your very home! He's your



Comedy and Short.

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WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY, JAN. 20-21—



Comedy and Short.

FRIDAY, JAN. 22—

## Pal Night

2 adults admitted for the price of 1. All children 10c.

## "Bulldog Drummond Escapes"

With Ray Milland and Heather Angel.

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CATHOLIC LADIES

Announce

MAGGIE AND JIGGS

Dinner and Supper  
On Wednesday, January 20,  
at Parish Hall, at 11:30 noon  
and 5:30 in the evening.

MENU

Corned Beef

Cabbage

Green Beans

Potato Salad

Slaw

Hot Rolls

Relishes

Mince, apple, cherry pie

Coffee

Adults 50c; Children 25c

# IN APPRECIATION

We wish to take this means of thanking our many customers in Scott and New Madrid counties for their fine spirit of co-operation during the devastating ice and sleet storm in this district.

A rough estimate of the damage places our loss in S. E. Missouri at \$50,000.00. Men and materials are available to make temporary repairs, and to restore service to near-normal basis.

We fully realize the inconvenience that lack of service, power, street and residential lights, have caused. Again may we express our gratitude to the public for bearing with us in this difficulty.

Service has been restored throughout the system. Such repairs will be temporary in many instances. Service crews must then work for several months to bring distribution lines, and the system generally, up to par.

Our men have worked day and night, without adequate rest and quite often under hazardous conditions. That fine spirit of loyalty and willingness to work is also appreciated.

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## Simpson Gasolines

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## SIMPSON STATIONS



## Personal And Society Items From Matthews

(From last week)

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Jones of Newport, Ark., were guests of the formers' father Louis Jones over the week end.

Mrs. Thelma Caldwell and children, Mrs. Jack Young, daughter, Miss Betty Jewell, Miss Ruth Boyle, Lois Ball and Ervin Boyle attended the show in Sikeston Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Mart Johnson and children of LaForge spent a few days here the past week with Mr. and Mrs. Wes Depro.

Mrs. Dimple Gurley of Sikeston was in Matthews Monday on business.

Rev. Nelson Morgan of Cape Girardeau filled his regular appointment at the Methodist church here Sunday. He was the dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Alsop.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Binford and W. H. Deane, Sr., were Morehouse visitors Thursday evening.

Mrs. Albert Deane is very ill at this writing.

Mr. Frank Sutton of St. Louis is here visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Sutton.

Dr. McClure of Sikeston was called here Sunday to see Artie Burch who is very ill with pneumonia.

A protracted meeting is in progress at the Christian church, with the Five Brothers in charge of services. These ministers are talented musicians as well as interesting speakers. You're sure to enjoy them and everyone is invited to attend. The meeting will close Sunday.

Mr. Donald Story spent the week end in East Prairie with his wife who is recuperating from a recent operation at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Davis.

Mrs. Olen Critchlow and Britt McGee shopped in Sikeston Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Barney Jones and daughter spent Saturday night with the formers' father Louis Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh May and Clifford Proffer spent Saturday in Morley.

Mr. J. Higginbotham and son, Tom of Anderson, Ind., are here visiting with their daughter and sister, Mrs. R. B. Cook and family. Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Castleberry of Sikeston spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Castleberry.

### MARRIAGE LICENSE ISSUED

A marriage license was issued in Charleston to Royal L. Kellett and Theola Kaiser of Sikeston.

### George Lough to New York

George Lough and R. E. L. Lampkin, manager of Buckner-Ragsdale stores in Sikeston and Cape Girardeau, left Monday for New York, where they will spend ten days buying spring and summer merchandise.

### MOUSE DRIVEN FROM A CLEAN, NEW HOME

This sounds incredible, but Fred Boyer swears it's true.

Last week Mr. Boyer got sores on his leg after using a great deal of paint, some of which, with thinner, soaked through his overalls. So the other night he bandaged his leg with cotton and glue.

The next morning when he went to work he noticed a tickling sensation on his sore leg. "It feels as if something's crawling," he said.

A mouse jumped out of the cotton when he loosened the bandage.

### STARK HAS NEW METHOD IN HANDLING JOB-SEEKERS

Jefferson City, Jan. 14.—Gov. Lloyd C. Stark today started a systematic method for handling applications of job-hunters who have been swarming into the offices of senators and representatives. The governor distributed blanks to be filled out by job-seekers. It is the first time in the memory of the legislators that such blanks have been supplied.

The applicant is asked to list the number of years he has been a Missourian; political and religious affiliations; previous state or government jobs, names of relatives on state or federal payroll and military service, if any. On the reverse side of the blank is a letter explaining that Gov. Stark will file the application with correspondence of the recommending legislator for future reference.

### REAGAN COMMENDS LOCAL DAIRYMEN IN TALK HERE

M. J. Reagan, an extension dairyman for the Missouri College of Agriculture, commended Sikeston dairy operators in an informal talk he made at a Kiwanis club meeting Thursday night. Mr. Reagan was in Sikeston to conduct the second of a series of all-day schools for dairymen of this district.

Dairying is being operated on a sound basis here, Mr. Reagan told Kiwanians. Many farmers, he said, purchase high-priced cattle and erect expensive buildings before they know how to operate dairies properly, but here, dairymen are expanding gradually as they learn conditions of their business. Sikeston has one of the best milk markets of towns not served by large commercial creameries, Mr. Reagan said.

Mr. Reagan, F. B. Veatch, Jr., the Scott county extension agent, and R. P. Christenson, the assistant agent, were guests at the Kiwanis club dinner. Mr. Christenson, who until recently was assistant agent in Dunklin county, spoke briefly of his first impressions of Scott county.

During the meeting, Mr. Reagan said that he intended to stage a 4-H club show here soon, and Kiwanians announced they would hold an official farmers' dinner February 18. Mr. Reagan and other members of the Missouri

## ONE MOMENT PLEASE

By Fay Kerr

Governor Stark suggested that Missouri have a State-wide clinic for the study and treatment of cancer. Why can't we have seals similar to the stamps sold at Christmas time for the fund for treatment of tuberculosis? Make Easter the time of the drive for these cancer stamps. Think how much could be collected if each adult would only buy ten cents worth of the stamps. If 4500 died of this disease in 1936, and there are now 14,000 sufferers doomed to go within the next three years, it is high time we, as citizens, should do something about it.

I hate to be an old-fashioned music box with just one tune to play, but if my tune is heard often enough and in the right places it might become a second National Anthem. It would be easier to sing than the Star Spangled Banner, as it could be sung in any key and we all could hit the high places.

Why does a Governor have to parol someone just before he leaves office, on holidays, and other occasions? Two murderers and one bank robber were paroled by Governor Park just before he left office. None of these convicts had served one third of his time. Shouldn't there be a minimum time served before a prisoner is eligible for parole? A recent embezzler was paroled after only a few months in prison. How can we expect the officers who handle other people's money to take the law seriously when they see other men use thousands of dollars of public funds and get off with a few months in prison? Unless they have a keen sense of honor (and how many have) they figure they can get by with the misuse of funds and have a gay time while it lasts. It is demoralizing. We have too many County Officers filching public funds. After a man is sentenced he should take his medicine. It is too bad that they who benefit from the use of the money he takes can't be considered equally guilty, unless they are innocent parties.

If we want to cut down our national budget we can save millions of dollars by revising our parole system. Most crime is committed by repeaters. If 48 Governors turn loose several convicts each year on each special occasion—and more to celebrate their leaving office—how can we ever hope to rid this country of crime? If I were a legislator I would try to get a bill passed making it impossible for a man to be paroled until he had served an appreciable part of his sentence, unless further evidence had proven him innocent. If the Judge and Jury are too severe with the prisoner an appeal can be taken. If his sentence is just he should be permitted to serve his time. Why spend thousands of dollars of tax money every year fighting criminals and then turn them loose on the first holiday?

Failure to "write on the line" is the cause of seventy per cent of the poor handwriting in the

College of Agriculture staff will appear on the program. Each Kiwanian will have a farmer as his guest.

On Thursday night, the Sikeston club will observe the twenty-second anniversary of the Kiwanis club's founding. Russell Couey will have charge of the program.

United States. Poor handwriting costs the people more than a billion dollars yearly.

Failure to "walk the chalk line" probably causes more than seventy per cent of the crime in the United States. No telling how many billions we could save if we could learn to walk a straight line.

### FUNERAL ON WEDNESDAY FOR MRS. THOMAS MOODY

Funeral services for Mrs.

Thomas Moody, the mother of Mrs. Blanch Miller of Sikeston, were held at the Methodist church in Blodgett Wednesday afternoon.

The Rev. J. T. Self, the Rev. L. M. Willard of Blodgett, and the Rev. J. C. McDaniel of Cape Girardeau were in charge.

Mrs. Moody was 63 years old. She is survived by her husband; two sons, Murrell and Thomas Moody, Jr., of Bertrand; and two other daughters, Mrs. Lucille Davis of Blodgett and Miss Ethel Moody of Bertrand.

### DELEGATES TO SOILS, CROPS MEET APPOINTED

The county court has appointed more than one hundred delegates to the third annual soils and crops conference being held January 28 at Benton.

The official notifications were mailed Saturday to the delegates who will represent every school district in the county. This list includes men who have either taken part in former conferences or who have taken active inter-

est in the soils, crops, pasture improvement and soil conservation problems of Scott county.

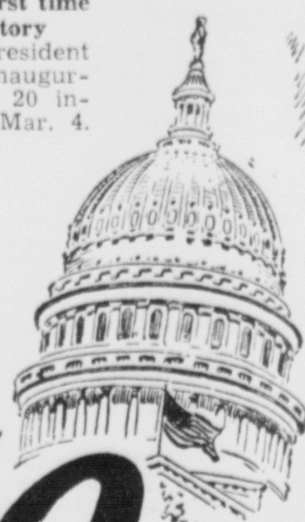
Quite a number of these men will appear on the program by giving their personal experience with respect to farm crops and soil building practices that are important in the county's agriculture.

Visitors are welcome to attend the conference. F. B. Veatch, Jr. expects the attendance to exceed 200.

We have often read articles in which the Navy has been compared with a military academy relative to education, character building, athletics, practical experience, and other benefits essential to a young man's make-up. The difference being that the Government pays you to go to the Navy, while you have to pay to attend a military school, and you will find the Navy ten times more pleasant.

The Sikeston Standard \$2 per year

For the first time in history the President will be inaugurated Jan. 20 instead of Mar. 4.



# "Inauguration" Sale!

Planned to inaugurate the men in Sikeston, not now wearing Hart Schaffner & Marx, Rogers-Peet, Silvertex and other Nationally known makes of clothes, into the vast group who already know what this fine clothing means in term of style, quality and value!

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All Of Our Hart Schaffner & Marx Rogers-Peet, Silvertex and other Nationally known makes of

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### 4 Great Value Groups:

#### \$38.75

Regularly up to \$15.00 to \$50.00

#### \$29.75

Regularly up to \$35.00 to \$40.00

#### \$24.75

Regularly up to \$30.00

OTHER GOOD MAKES

#### \$17.75 and \$14.75

The inauguration Wednesday, of the President, is a truly great historic event. And so, too, is this great Inauguration Sale at Buckner-Ragsdale's.

We are interested in only one thing—and that is to inaugurate every man in Sikeston who hasn't a Hart Schaffner & Marx, Rogers-Peet, Silvertex or one of our other nationally known makes of garments in his wardrobe into the great fraternity of men who have these fine clothes . . . who know them and appreciate what they stand for.

In order to do that we have grouped all of our clothing into four great price groups. We have put prices on them that are phenomenal, so low are they in comparison to what these fine clothes ordinarily sell for during the regular season.

But we want you—and you—and you, if you don't know the satisfaction that comes from wearing good clothing, to be able to take advantage of these fine values. We think every man in town can afford several of these fine suits at these prices. Get in early . . . our supply is adequate, but we expect a buying rush—and when these are gone there will be no more at these low prices.

OVERCOATS—\$35 to \$40 values \$29.75; \$30 values \$24.75; \$18.50 to \$22.50 values \$15.75; \$15 to \$16.50 values \$10.95.



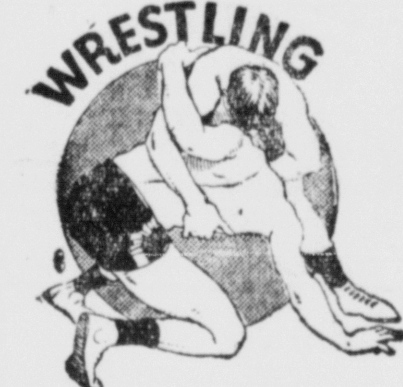
## The Service Did Not Fail

Patrons of the Sikeston Municipal Light and Power Plant had no interference with their service due to breaking of lines or poles by the ice storm of the past week.

Service to perhaps a dozen patrons was briefly interrupted when wires were broken by falling limbs, but the distribution system of YOUR light and power plant withstood the storm.

Your Own Municipal Plant Has Again Proven Efficient for Light and Power

### Sikeston Board of Public Works



Armory—Sikeston  
Wednesday, Jan. 20

REX MOBLEY

Amarillo—Weight 190 lbs.

vs.

JOE DILLMAN

Greece—Weight 194 lbs.

CHIEFF

LITTLE WOLF

Yakima Indian—Wt. 170 lbs.

vs.

RED BIRD

Weight 170 lbs.

Both Matches best 2 out of 3 falls. 90 minutes time.

A large basket of Groceries will be given to some one in the audience free.

Mike Meroney, Referee



## An Awful Fate Once Awaited Girls Who Danced, Read Novels

Not the least attractive quality of a secondhand bookshop is the dusty suggestion of the charm and absurdities of outworn customs offered the curious browser on the "dramatically reduced" counters. Typical of the cheap volumes available in these literary burial grounds is the once-popular work of Harvey Newcomb, social adviser to the antebellum generation of the 1840's and 1850's. After completing two books, "How to Be a Lady," and "How to Be a Man," Mr. Newcomb, in September, 1847, published his happiest effort, "Anecdotes for Girls".

In his preface, Mr. Newcomb, with understandable pride, reviews his past literary accomplishments. "Those works," he notes, have been encouraged to carry out this design in separate volumes. The Newcomb design, as the title page indicates, is to present "entertaining narratives and anecdotes illustrative of principles and character." Mr. Newcomb carefully emphasizes the nature of his book: "This book is not a mere collection of stories for the amusement of juvenile readers. Such, and such only, have been selected as could be made to convey some useful instruction to the mind, or produce some good impression upon the heart."

The wide range of Newcomb anecdotes embraces such basic social problems as dancing, novel reading, tidiness, and putting pins in the mouth. Young feminine readers are instructed in piety (both "early" and "filial"), in benevolence and good habits (neatness, reading in the night, drinking wine, and preoccupation with dress). The stories Mr. Newcomb culled from an impressive, though somewhat limited, reading are, he informs the reader, "entirely rewritten, and such reflections added as have seemed necessary to impress upon the mind of the reader the lessons which they teach."

Chapter X gravely begins with an italicized "Voice of Warning," relating the tragic story illustrating the harmful effects of dancing. "A young lady was attentive to religious meetings and was for some time the subject of serious impressions," Mr. Newcomb writes. "But a dancing-school was opened, and she attended it. Of course, she lost all her seriousness." The inevitable happened. The young lady turned into a giddy, frivolous flibbertigibbet. Less regularly did she attend church meetings. When she announced her intention of attending a dance, her mother gently remonstrated, pointing out that a relative recently had died and dancing at such a time suggested an unheard-of lack of respect.

"I shall go to the dance, if I die, and all my friends were corpses!" the young lady exclaimed, apparently temporarily deranged, what with dancing and one thing or another.

Mr. Newcomb does not withhold or temper the tragic denouncement of this domestic

drama. When the young lady's young gentleman was to call for her, she was "taken sick; and the day after he was to have waited on her to the ball, the young gentleman followed her corpse to the grave!"

Anxious to impress his readers with the seriousness of dancing, Mr. Newcomb, in another anecdote of a physician called in the night to attend a young woman whose stubborn pursuit of the dance has resulted in a fatal illness. "On a sofa," Mr. Newcomb writes, "which had been drawn from the side of the room, sat a young lady in a stooping posture, and though in the act of rising, with one hand stretched out to take that of her partner, who was to have led her to the dance. With the smile upon her lip and eyes bearing with the excitement, death had seized her. The smile of joy was now transformed to a hideous grin. The beaming eyes now seemed but a glazed mass, protruding from the socket."

"The carmine added to give brilliancy to her complexion, now contrasted strangely with the sallow hue her skin assumed, while the gorgeous trappings, in which fashion had decked her, seemed but a mocking of the habiliments of the grave. The pale mother as she knelt beside her child, groaned out, 'Not here! Not here! Let her die at home!'"

In all fairness, and Mr. Newcomb is nothing if not eminently fair, the author points out, "I do not pretend to say God sends death into the ball-room to show His disapprobation of such scenes. This would not be a fair conclusion; for death sometimes seizes people in the house of God." Seeking a rational explanation of the phenomenon, Mr. Newcomb suggests that "the exposure, the tight dressing and the high excitement of the ball-room has a strong tendency to bring on sudden death, especially with females."

If his young readers have not already dropped Mr. Newcomb's anecdotes on the floor and tucked their heads under the covers (although, of course, they should not read in bed, as Mr. Newcomb warns in another chapter), that part of the young audience contemplating a dancing course certainly will ponder the author's final thrust. "Who would wish to die in a ball-room?"

Dancing, the Newcomb anecdotes teach, inevitably leads to death, but novel reading plunges young girls into a fate worse than death. "Novel-reading fills the heads of young girls with romantic notions," Mr. Newcomb writes. "They become weary with the dull round of ordinary life. They sigh for some adventure such as they have read of in works of fiction. The restless and uneasy spirit thus cultivated prepares them to become an easy prey to the false-hearted libertine."

With this introduction, Mr. Newcomb sets forth the story of a 16-year-old orphan. "She was delicately bred, and ignorant of

the world. Her natural romantic feelings had doubtless been fostered by the pernicious practice of novel-reading, which has turned the heads of thousands." Inevitably she meets a romantic gentleman and, despite the warnings of her guardian, elopes with him. They are married in Detroit. Immediately a creditor descends upon the husband. He is arrested, imprisoned in Cleveland, O. His young wife follows him, "declaring herself willing to die with him in prison." Then she learns the truth. Her betrayer already is married. He has a wife and additional creditors in the east.

"The scene was now heart-rending," Mr. Newcomb writes, his prose style soaring. "All the romantic hopes, which for weeks had filled her mind, were now dashed in a moment. The fiend in human shape, who had deceived her, being released from prison, left her to her fate. For she had given up all—the home and companions of her childhood, her guardian and friends—and now he not only abandons her, but denies their marriage. She returned, ashamed and broken-hearted to her friends—a lesson to romantic girls not to make matches in their teens, against the advice of their friends—a lesson to boarding-school misses to mind their studies and keep shy of novels, men and boys."

Although death and more horrible fates dominate the Newcomb teachings, less tragic consequences await violators of less serious social dicta. Untidiness, for example, may cause considerable humiliation, as the story of Fanny Freeman clearly shows. Fanny, "for some years, dressed in black; and she fell into the dirty habit of wiping the point of her pen no her black dress. This habit became so confirmed that she did not mind when she did it. One afternoon she dressed herself in white to go some distance on a visit; but, having first to write a letter, she carelessly wiped her pen as usual on her dress." When this oversight was called to Fanny's attention, "she blushed to the very ears for shame and mortification, and was obliged to go back to her room and put on a black dress."

Grappling with the problem of women's influence on good manners, Mr. Newcomb asserts, "There are some things which females can do, in a modest, quiet way, to exert a good influence upon others, to much better effect than the other sex. Perhaps there is nothing in which they can do this more effectively than in checking such evil habits as drinking intoxicating liquors, using tobacco and an indulgence in impiety, vulgarity and profane-ness of speech."

The Newcomb anecdote to illustrate this point is dramatic. A young lady became annoyed when a fellow-traveler (a young naval officer) sprinkled frequent oaths in his conversation. After enduring the profanity for a while the young lady turned to him inquired, "Sir, can you converse in the Hebrew tongue?"

"He replied that he could expect, no doubt, to have the pleasure of holding some learned conversation with her. She then very politely told him that, if he wished to swear any more, he would greatly oblige herself and probably the rest of the passengers, if he would swear in that language. The young man was silent the rest of the way. . . . Probably the young man never will forget it as long as he lives." —The Kansas City Times.

### PERTINENT PARAGRAPHS FROM PARIS APPEAL

A press dispatch states that 22 members of the Baptist Church over at Johnstown, Ill., read the Bible from cover to cover last year. What the public would like to know is how many of them gained more faith by reading their Bibles and then went forth to show their faith by their works.

It is impossible to imagine God doing so undignified a thing as going out behind the barn for a hearty laugh. We imagine, however, that he often is highly amused at men and women who offer long prayers and then try to bribe him into granting them by saying, "And to Thee we will give all the glory."

Congratulations to Major Lloyd C. Stark, our new governor. He is going to apply to Missouri's business affairs the sound policies and principles which characterized his successful management of the world's largest nurseries over in Pike county. It is a fortunate thing for the public when a man of his wide experience and fine ambition agrees to dedicate his time and talents to the public service.

Henry Ford was granted a patent on a new engine scheme for motor cars last week. All the manufacturers, however, seem to overlook several other improvements which might be made. For instance, a soundproof driving seat for protection against back-seat interference, a gadget for converting the exhaust into cold drinks, or a device for administering facial or permanent waves to women passengers on a trip.

We asked Bildad Botts, our eminent research expert, to gather any available facts in connection with the old admonition, "Hitch your wagon to a star." Doctor Botts discovered 3,119,001 men who had followed that advice, of whom 3,113,313 had come to grief. Asked why this was thus, Bildad said it was be-

## Novel Luncheon for Bridge Parties



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WHAT to serve at your next bridge party is a much disputed question that should be considered from several angles. Now experts seldom eat much before a tournament so they can think clearly. For instance, one well known player eats only oysters, while another just drinks black coffee before a match. But when the party is a social afternoon among friends, it seems hardly necessary to take our bridge that seriously. Still it is not a time for elaborate feasting either. Time was when a bridge party meant a full course luncheon or dinner, but today we strike a medium with the simple plate luncheon now in vogue—and a charmingly practical balance it is, too. It simplifies entertaining and permits the service of special dainty dishes. Try these menus on your bridge club. You will find them delightful and easy to serve.

Tomato Juice	
Crab Meat au Gratin on Toast Triangles*	
Salad Greens	
Hot Rolls	Currant Jelly
Layer Angel Cake with Fruit Filling	
Candied Fruit Peel	Coffee Nuts
Individual Sandwich Loaves*	
Molded Vegetable Salad	
Fudge Brownies	Ice Cream
Bon Bons	Coffee

(\* Indicates recipes given below)

**Crab Meat au Gratin on Toast Triangles (serves 4)**—Melt 1 tablespoon butter, add 1 tablespoon flour and blend well. Add one 1 lb. can Cream of Mushroom Soup. Stir over low heat until thickened. Strip bones from one 6½ oz. can of crab meat, flake, and add to white sauce with 1½ cups soft bread crumbs, ¼ teaspoon salt, a dash of pepper and ¼ cup grated American cheese. Heat until cheese is melted, then pour into a shallow baking dish. Sprinkle ¼ cup grated American cheese over top and bake under broiler until slightly brown. Serve on golden brown toast triangles.

**Individual Sandwich Loaves**—Trim crusts from slices of bread (3 for each sandwich loaf), so each slice is about 2½ inches wide by 4 inches long. Spread the first slice with soft butter and cover with Cross Cut Sweet Pickles, in slices or chopped. Cover with buttered bread and spread this layer with chopped meat or ham filling. Cover

with the third slice of bread to form an individual sandwich loaf. Press the layers together firmly. Blend thoroughly 2 packages soft cream cheese and 2 tablespoons Tomato Ketchup, and spread a thin layer over the top and sides of the sandwich loaf. Garnish the top attractively with a slice of Stuffed Spanish Olive in the center, and radiate from it thin strips of Cross Cut Sweet Pickles. Chill and serve on small plates. These sandwiches may be prepared several hours in advance and are served with a fork, but do not require a knife. (The 2 packages of cheese with the Ketchup will cover 8 individual sandwich loaves.)

**Chopped Meat Filling**—Mix thoroughly 1 cup coarsely ground cooked pork or veal, ½ cup finely chopped celery, ½ cup finely chopped carrots, 2 tablespoons Cross Cut Sweet Pickles, chopped, 2 tablespoons Mayonnaise and salt to taste.

### SEAWEED TABLETS NOT GOOD FOR 30 DISEASES

Cure-alls are still offered to the ailing. They do not appear so frequently as in the more gullible past, but now and then a particularly offensive one appears, says the Food and Drug Administration.

Recently a case was terminated and fines imposed against John Lee Clarke and William J. A. Bailey of New York, proprietors of the Lee Kelpodine Co., Inc., manufacturers of "Kelpodine Tablets." The tablets were made of compressed seaweed or kelp and were fraudulently offered for the treatment of 32 specific diseases and "other conditions." In this amazing list were included common and general conditions and some of the most stubborn diseases known to the human race. The complete list for which these fakers recommended their seaweed products is as follows: pyorrhea, headache, indigestion, tuberculosis, cancer of the liver, glandular trouble, nervousness, caries, underweight, anemia, constipation, general weakness, melancholia, digestive disturbances, asthma, rickets, born diseases, chlorosis, eczema, stomach disorders, nervous break-down, migraine, high blood pressure, stomach ulcers, hay fever, liver congestion, subnormal growth, mental exhaustion, neurasthenia, rheumatism, arthritis, obesity, and other conditions.

This is not the first case involving the health of the public in which William J. A. Bailey has figured. Food and Drug Administration records show he formerly traded as Bailey Radium Laboratories, East Orange, N. J. and marketed a dangerous radioactive preparation, "Radithor," which caused the death of a leading citizen of Pittsburgh, Eben M. Byers. The death of Byers forced Bailey to cease marketing his product. However, the provisions of the Food and Drugs Act could not be invoked because the preparation was not mislabeled and the act does not allow officials to proceed against sales of dangerous drugs solely on the ground of the danger to public health.

### P.-T. A. UNIT TO MEET AT GRADE SCHOOL THURSDAY

The January meeting of the Sikeston Parent-Teacher Association, postponed from last week, will be held in the old grade school building at 3:30 Thursday afternoon.

A program on "Friendliness" will be presented by members of the unit, with Mrs. L. M. Hollenbeck of the program committee in

charge. The year's program as outlined by the national congress of parents and teachers is "Character Growth, a Home and School Responsibility."

A large attendance is desired since in addition to the program, business of importance is to come up before the unit. No date has yet been set for Miss Alma Schrader and Mrs. E. L. Miller to speak to the unit, but it is possible that they may be able to come in February at a meeting in celebration of founders' day. The organization is celebrating the fortieth anniversary of its founding this February.

A prize will be awarded to the grade school room having the best mother attendance at the meeting Thursday.

### CLETIS BIDWELL'S UNCLE SUCCEEDS TO PNEUMONIA

Charles F. Bidwell, a farmer of near Advance, died Friday morning at the Southeast Missouri hospital in Cape Girardeau, where he was taken Thursday suffering with pneumonia. He was an uncle of Cletis Bidwell of Sikeston.

Funeral services were held in the Advance Methodist church at 1 o'clock Sunday afternoon. The Rev. M. H. Markley of Bloomfield had charge. Burial was in the Killion cemetery near Dongola, where Mr. Bidwell was born sixty-five years ago.

Mrs. Nora Lane of Chaffee is one of five surviving children.

### MISSOURI BOYS INVITED TO RECEPTION FOR STARK

Harry Harty, Jr., midshipman of Annapolis, S. B. Hardwick, Jr., of Bertrand and Jasper Wilson of

Jefferson City, Cadets of West Point, are among the Missouri boys who are invited to attend the reception given by the Missouri Society in Washington City, in honor of Governor Stark. These boys will also march in the inaugural parade, today.

### Midwest to Build Warehouse

Mayor N. E. Fuchs issued a building permit Friday to the Midwest Dairy Products Company for construction of a \$4000 brick warehouse on a lot just east of the firm's office on Front street.

### AMERICANA

Racket—Darrel Gene Hobbs walked into an Oakland, Calif., police station and announced that he was "lost." To learn his name, five policemen each paid the lad a penny. They paid another penny apiece to find out he was four years old. The boy then said: "Another penny and I'll tell my father's name." He collected. It was discovered that Darrel had employed a similar story at the fire station.

Automobile plants in the week ending November 28 increased production to 110,160 cars to keep pace with the flow of new orders, says the weekly letter of the Administrative and Research Corporation. Steel mill operations estimated at 75 per cent were unchanged from the previous week. Production of electricity amounted to 2,196 million kilowatt hours and showed a gain of 12.4 per cent over last year. Carloadings were somewhat higher and totaled 789,500 cars. Bank

debts and commercial loans both expanded.

Bank clearings in the United States continue heavy. The total for 22 leading cities for the week ending November 25, as reported to Dun & Bradstreet, was \$6,527,499,000, against \$5,472,736,000 for the corresponding week of 1935, a gain of 19.3 per cent.

Farmers of the United States received \$886,000,000 from sale of their products in October, the Department of Agriculture announces. The figure is well above the September total of \$752,000,000 and the \$802,000,000 figure for October, 1935.

Times are better and there is more money in circulation. On November 25 the Federal Reserve Board reports there was \$6,429,000,000 in use, the largest amount since the bank holiday. In the same period a year ago the amount of money in circulation totaled but \$5,820,000,000.

### MAN IN JAIL EATS RAT

The other morning a negro prisoner asked Jailer George Lane for some salt. No questions were asked to what the salt was to be used for. Later, however, Mr. Lane found that the negro had caught a large rat, skinned it and cooked it, later devouring it with apparent satisfaction as if it were a pork chop.—Charleston Democrat.

During the cruise just completed by the U. S. S. Indianapolis and U. S. S. Chester with the president, these ships steamed 18,000 miles in thirty-six days, and were in port for only two nights.

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